Prices of petroleum products

94. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether prices of petroleum products are stable even after dismantling of administered pricing mechanism on April 1, 2002; and

(b) if so, in what manner Government would maintain stability on price front despite increase in world oil prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) and (b) With the dismantling of Administered Pricing Mechanism effective 1st April, 2002, the prices of all petroleum products, except for PDS Kerosene and domestic LPG, have become market-determined. Thus, normal fluctuations in the international oil markets would be reflected in domestic prices of petroleum products. However, Government is constantly reviewing the volatility and its likely impact on the domestic market. As and when Government intervention is considered necessary, appropriate measures will be taken.

Promotion of satriya dance

95. DR.ARUN KUMAR SARMA : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of grants, ongoing training centres, documentation done, photographic profile prepared, award and scholarship extended to Bharatnatyam, Kathakali, Kuchipudi and Satriya dance during the last three years;

(b) the status of Satriya dance indicating the category in which this dance and art forms are placed for grants, scholarship, training programme and performance within India and abroad; and

(c) the details of various ongoing promotional activities and proposed plan for promotion and propagation of Satriya dance and art form in India and abroad including publication of illustrated photo profile through CCRT ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) A statement is enclosed *(see below).*